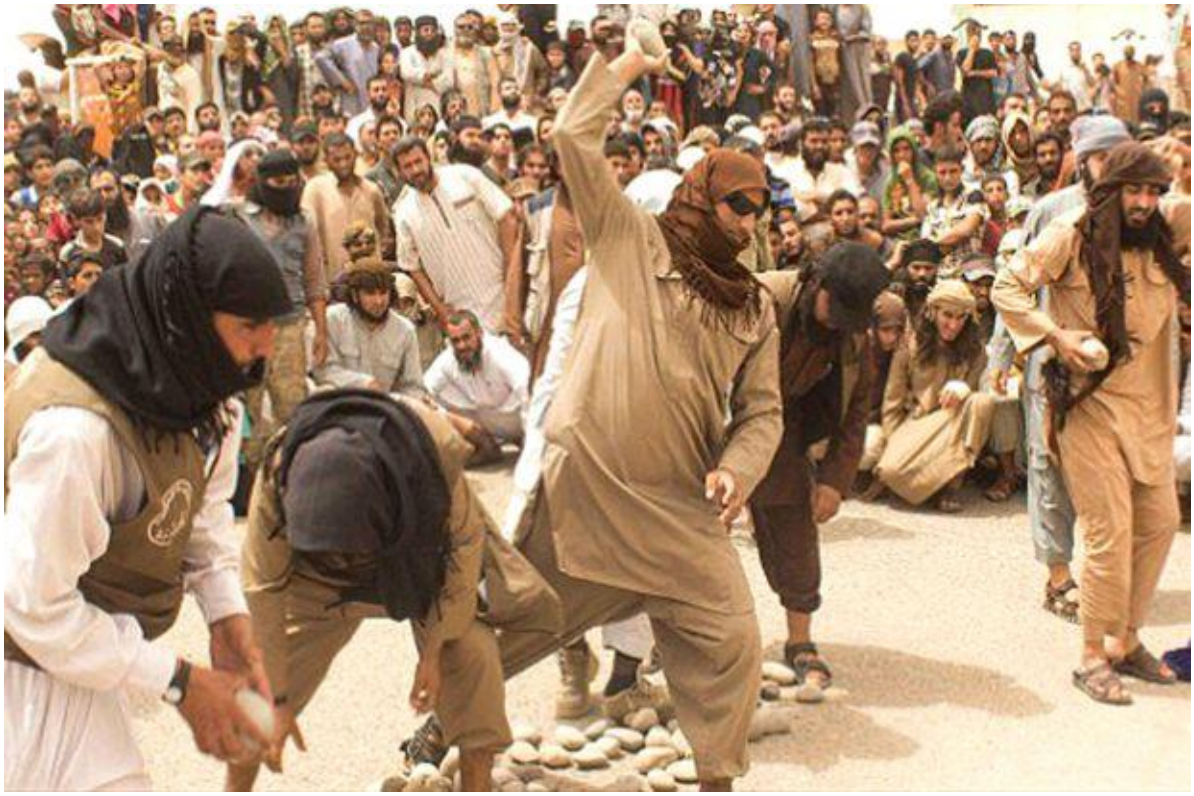
How the Command of Stoning Adulterers Refutes the Quraniyoon



Introduction

The command to Stone Adulterers is not in the written Quran that we have to today. And it is something the Quraniyoon will usually point out as a Hadith and law (commandment) that contradicts the Quran, which says to only lash the person who commits zina.

However, upon closer inspection, the command to Stone Adulterers by the Prophet (SAW) ironically refutes and dismantles the whole Quraniyoon Ideology.

The reason why it refutes them and also exposes their hypocrisy, is because of the way that both the Quran and the command by the Prophet (SAW) to stone adulterers came to us in a virtually identical way with virtually the same level of verifiability and authenticity, which corners the Hadith rejectors into a irreconcilable contradiction which can only be reconciled with Hadiths.

The Process of Transmission for both the Quran and Command to Stone Adulterers Listed Below

1. The Same People

The same people that transmitted the Quran to us (Sahabas) are the same people that witnesses the Prophet (SAW) command stoning adulterers. Not only did they witness it, some of them even engaged in it!

2. Same Mass Transmission of Knowledge

When the Quran was revealed to the Prophet (SAW), the majority of the transmission was to the Sahabas via oral transmission (memorization). Because there were thousands of Sahabas, this 'en masse' memorization preserved the Quran so that no one person could alter or corrupt it.

Likewise Stoning of adulterers is not a private affair done between two people done in privacy, rather it is done in front of a very large crowd and so its virtually impossible to lie about it.

Not only was the mass transmission of knowledge almost the same, one could argue that the command to Stone Adulterers was much, much easier to remember than it is to memorize thousands of verses of the Quran.

If anyone witnesses a stoning its quite and traumatic experience and not something one will easily forget.

3. Same Generational Transfer of Knowledge

Memorization of the Quran was transferred from one Generation to the other via Parents, Uncles, Aunts and Teachers. Early scribes would make occasional small errors, but this 'en mass' memorization from one generation to the next assured that the Quran was kept safe and perfect for future generations.

Likewise Stoning was often witnessed 'en masse' by multiple generations at one time i.e. father and teenage son in the crowd watching together, and so their was a generational transfer of knowledge. Also stoning is not a one time event, its done frequently enough (lets say 5+ times per generation) that each generation would see it happen and they would learned it from the previous generation, who also did it traced back all the way to the Prophet (SAW).

Also, one could argue that the command to Stone Adulterers was much, much easier to transfer knowledge to from one generation to the next than it is to transfer the knowledge of thousands of verses of the Quran via memorization.

Contradiction for the Quraniyoon

The written Quran we have today says to lash the person who commits zina, where as the Prophet (SAW) with virtually the same level of authenticity as the Quran says to Stone Adulterers. This is a blatant contradiction to Quraniyoon, and leaves them with only one of two options. Either the Prophet (SAW) is a hypocrite (astagfirullah) for not following the Quran or the Quran has a mistake in it and forgot to include this command to stone the adulterer.

We Sunni Muslims do not have this dilemma because there is authentic Hadiths that tells us that there was originally a recited verse in the Quran about stoning Adulterers that was never written down, and was later abrogated in recitation, but not in action. See here http://archive.is/G3ZWK and here https://archive.is/syaZb and here https://archive.is/bepX2

What if someone lied and made up the Hadith about Stoning?

> *The [unmarried] woman or [unmarried] man found guilty of sexual intercourse - lash each one of them with a hundred lashes, and do not be taken by pity for them in the religion of Allah, if you should believe in Allah and the Last Day**. And let a group of the believers witness their punishment.***
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> - Quran 24:2

Now imagine if you lived in Mecca or Medina 100 years after the Prophet (SAW) had passed and everyone in the Ummah knew that the punishment for adultery was lashing as per the Quran, and a liar appeared and said the punishment for adultery is actually stoning (this theoretical scenario is the claim of the Hadith Rejectors).

This man would have to assemble a group of 10-100 Muslims to witness the stoning and these crowds would not just witness it but actually have to engage in it! (a traumatic experience).

If everyone knew the punishment for adultery was lashing, especially since many people were required to witness lashings due to Quran verse 24:2, there would be tens if not hundreds of people in the crowd that would call him out saying “you lied! The punishment for adultery is not stoning, but lashing”

And remember Stoning to death is a traumatic event and not something people will easily confuse or mix up with lashing.

The same situation applies to Imam Malik (711–795). By the time Muwatta Malik was collected, thousands of people would have witnessed lashing of adultery a per Quran 24:2, if lashing was indeed the punishment for adultery.

If all of a sudden Imam Malik inserted a fake hadith about stoning adulterers. Thousands of people would have called him out for being a liar.

Remember stoning adulterers is not a one-time event in the past, it’s a recurring event as there will always be unfaithful cheaters in every group and generation, so the prescribed punishment is always kept fresh in people’s minds and is not something easily forgotten.

Their last ditch Attempt

Once you corner the Hadith Rejector with these arguments, their last-ditch attempt to justify their ideology is they will say “we don’t care how the Quran was transmitted or how it arrived to us today in our hands, we just believe in the Quran alone because the Quran says its “clear and complete” and because my gut feeling says so.”

This is a similar tactic you will hear from Christians when you confront them with a Bible that has anonymous authors, the earliest manuscripts found in Greek (a language Jesus or the disciples never spoke), countless contradictions, and different Bibles with different number of books and chapters. They will say “I don’t care how the Bible arrived to us today; the Holy Spirit tells me its true!”

Once the Hadith Rejectors admit about not caring about chains of transmission of the Quran, they then fall into all kind of absurdities, at this point you can start playing around with them asking them questions like

> **Q:** How do you know Abu Hanifa didn’t write the Quran?
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> **Their Typical Answer:** because Quran 15:9 says God will preserve the Quran.
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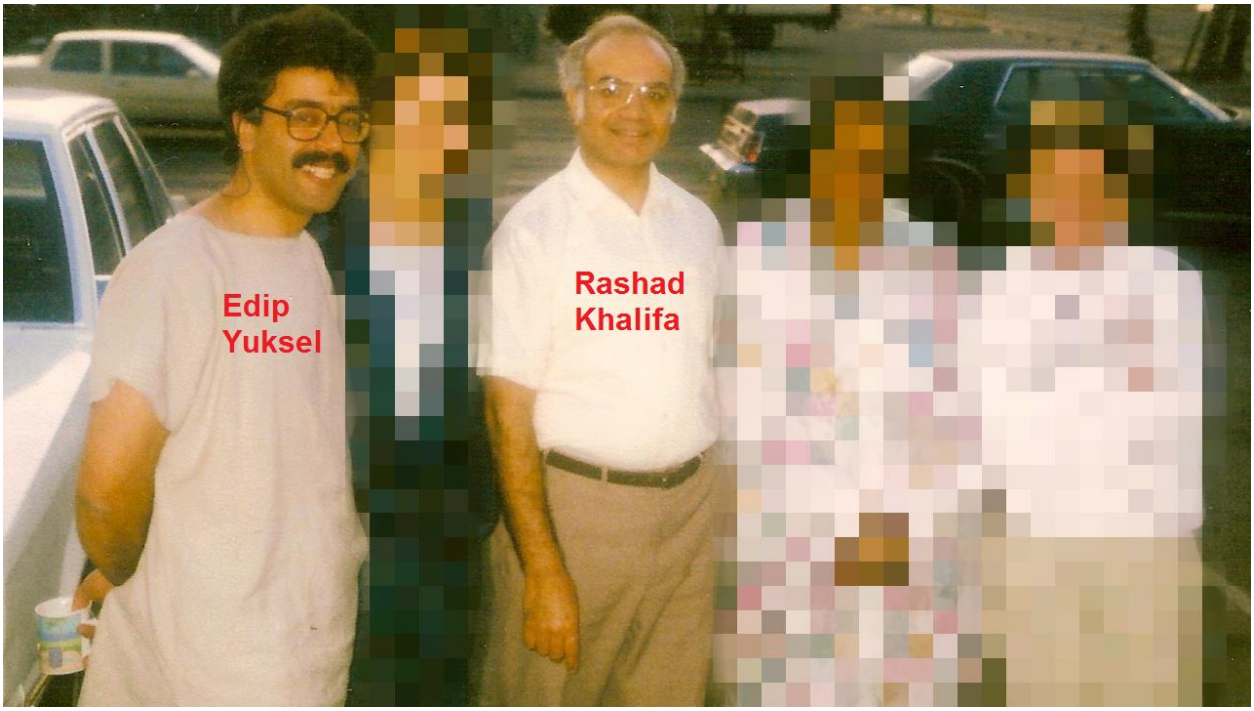
> **Q:** How do you now Abu Hanifa didn’t write that verse down?

Ulterior Motives

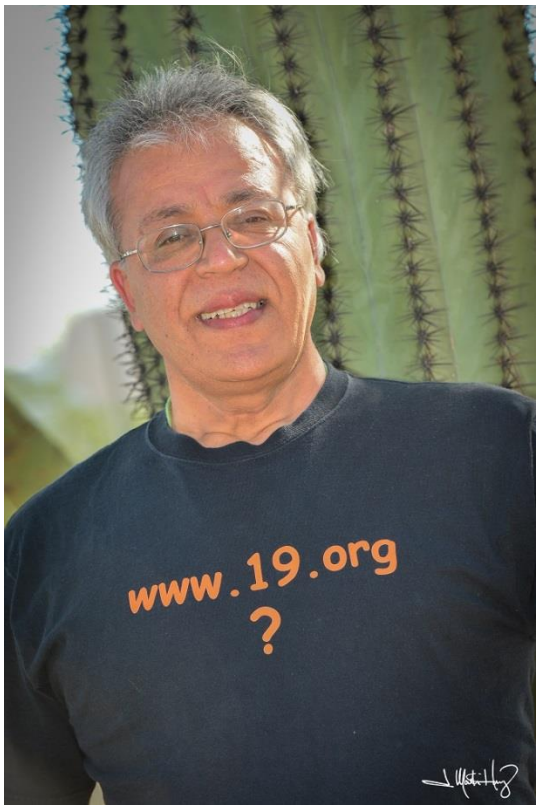
Once you deal with Quraniyoon long enough their true colors start to come out and you will sense they have a motive other than seeking the truth.

Once you get deep enough into the 'Quran alone' cult they will start talking about special numbers in the Quran that proves the Quran is from God, and most of this information came from a Hadith Rejector named Rashad Khalifa who started the number 19 Submitters cult.



He was assassinated, and now the cult is led by a Turkish intellectual named Edip Yuksel

He is the author of the Reformist Quran, a translation of the Quran that purposefully distorts words in the Quran to fit the Quraniyoon ideology. You will see many Quraniyoon rely on his translations.



Edip Yuksel with a 19 Submitters Cult shirt

Exposing the Quraniyoon Cult

The scholars and advocates of 'the Quran Alone' sect are not ignorant, they have an agenda. Many of these Quraniyoon advocates are Westerner Intellects who are trying to infiltrate and subvert Islam (i.e. Sam Gerrans, Edip Yuksel, Rashad Khalifa). This movement is funded and coordinated by Western Think Tanks and led by Western Intellects to try and destroy Islam from within. Despite their small presence in real life, the Quraniyoon have hundreds of Social Media astroturfing accounts (Youtube, Twitter, Reddit etc.) and they will spam any video, post or comment on this subject with copy/paste posts.

Their goal is to get rid of the Sunnah so that everyone can interpret that Quran as they wish and so Islam becomes like Christianity where there is thousands of denominations because of differences in interpretation of the scripture and with their final goal of ultimately reforming the religion. (Something they have repeatedly failed to do, because the Prophet (SAW) explained the interpretation of the Quran in the Hadiths).